

REMARKS

Claims 17, 19, 20, 23-33, 37-39, 41 and 42 are pending in this application.

Claims 17, 19, 20, 23-33, 37-39, 41 and 42 have been canceled without prejudice.

Claims 43-68 have been added. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added.

The Examiner's reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in view of the above amendment and the following remarks.

Claim Rejections

Claims 30, 31 and 33 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C § 102(b) as being anticipated by Inoie et al. (JP2002-090719). Claims 30, 31 and 33 have been amended and rewritten as new claims 58, 59 and 61, respectively.

Claim 58 recites, *inter alia*, a conductive member comprising a connector for signal transmission between a data driving circuit and a gate driving circuit. For example, the present application states that "[t]he LCD shown in FIG. 9A places a connector 470 for transmitting signals from the data PCB 550 to the gate PCB 450 directly on the TFT array panel 100, and the connector 470 is located on the overlap A of the sealant 310 and the black matrix 220." See paragraph [0131] of the published present application. Applicants respectfully submit that Inoie does not disclose or suggest the above claimed features.

The Examiner states that "Inoie discloses (Fig. 6) a method of manufacturing a liquid crystal display, the method comprising forming a conductive member (8b)". However, the transparent electrode (8b) of Inoie does not comprise a connector for signal transmission between a data driving circuit and a gate driving circuit.


Accordingly, claim 58 is not anticipated by Inoie. Claims 59 and 61 depend from claim 58. These dependent claims are believed to be allowable due to their dependency on the allowable base claim.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the rejection of claims 30, 31 and 33 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b).

Claims 43, 56, 57 and 65 are believed to be allowable for at least the same reasons provided above.

For the foregoing reasons, the present application, including claims 43-68, is believed to be in condition for allowance. The Examiner's early and favorable action is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if he has any questions or comments in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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